Suspension of Border Fencing

344. SHRI G. G. SWELL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Chief Minister of Meghalaya has called for the suspension of the construction of the border fence with Bangladesh;

(b) whether he has consulted the Central before making the call;

(c) whether he has adduced convincing reasons for such a call; and

(d) if so, what are those reasons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Pakistan's role in blasts

345. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the headines in the Hindustan Times dated 22nd May, 1993 that there is controvertible evidence on Pakistan's role in blasts; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to take up the matter with that country to secure those involved in the blasts who are reported to be staying there?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Government have seen the headlines in the 'Hindustan Times' dated 22nd May, 1993 to the effect that there is 'incontrovertible evidence of Pak role in blasts'.

(b) Government had promptly informed the Pakistani authorities of the Memon family's involvement in the bomb blasts in Bombay as well as about the details of their travels and of their collaborators between India and Pakistan through Dubai, and requested for the appenhension and repatriation of these criminals to face trial in this country. Efforts are continuing through diplomatic channels to secure Pakistan's cooperation in this regard.

Recruitment of Ex-Servicemen into J&K State Police

346. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: Will the Minister of HOM EAFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that J&K Government has recenly ordered the recruitment of servicemen into the State Police in border districts to effectively deal with militancy;

(b) if so, the results achieved so far in this regard;

(c) whether the same practice would be followed by other States also where the militancy is on the increase; and

(d) what are the areas in J & K where such recruits had been put in for this purpose; nd what is the total number of such recruitments made by J & K Government so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (d). According to information made available by the Government of Jammu and Kashmir, 300 ex-serviceimen have been recruited in the State Police. They have been deployed mainly in the Districts of Doda, Poonch and Rajouri. This has helped to augment and add to the effectiveness of the force.

Rapes in Police Custody

347. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:
SHRI MISA R. GANESAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of incidents of rape took place in Police custody during the last three years in Delhi and other parts of country, year-wise figures;

(b) what is the number of cases, in which the culprits were punished/acquitted by courts, year-wise figures;

(c) what is the number of cases which are still pending: